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### Field Crops

For the week ending May 29, durum wheat has matured on 46 percent of the acreage, while barley has matured on 71 percent of the acreage. Harvesting has begun on 7 percent of the durum wheat acreage and 18 percent of the barley acreage. Ninety-seven percent of the acreage intended for cotton has been planted. Squaring has occurred on 7 percent of the cotton acreage. Cotton condition is mostly good.

Alfalfa harvest was active on over three quarters of the State's acreage. Alfalfa condition remains mostly good to excellent. Range and pasture conditions are mostly fair to good.

### Vegetables, Fruit and Other Specialty Crops

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped cabbage, carrots, seeded and seedless watermelons.

Western Arizona shipped cabbage, cantaloups, green onions, honeydews, seeded and seedless watermelons, and other specialty melons.

Producers in central and western Arizona also shipped grapefruit and Valencia oranges.

### Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	-Percent-				
Alfalfa	0	2	16	42	40
Cotton	0	0	28	52	20
Range and Pasture	2	20	38	26	14

### Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Avg
	-Percent-			
Cotton - Planted	97	94	94	96
- Squaring	7	2	17	16
Durum Wheat - Mature	46	25	48	66
- Harvested	7	0	13	11
Barley - Mature	71	46	59	73
- Harvested	18	4	17	15

### Weather Summary

Temperatures for the State were above normal for the week ending May 28. Temperatures ranged from 6 degrees above normal at Yuma to 11 degrees above normal at Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 114 degrees at Parker while the lowest reading was Flagstaff at 39 degrees.

Precipitation was reported at 10 of the 17 reporting stations. Flagstaff received the lowest amount of precipitation at 0.01 inches and Willcox received the highest amount of precipitation at 1.00 inch. All reporting stations are above normal precipitation for this time of year.

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**Temperatures and Precipitation Data**  
**May 22 - May 28, 2005**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	63	9	97	49	0.00	6.29	3.27
Casa Grande	79	8	111	65	0.68	5.11	3.06
Coolidge	79	7	110	64	0.38	5.29	3.61
Douglas	71	7	105	57	0.17	5.12	2.32
Flagstaff	53	8	84	39	0.01	15.51	9.39
Gila Bend	82	7	112	68	0.00	3.09	2.56
Grand Canyon	55	9	88	40	0.11	10.27	6.84
Kingman	70	7	100	51	0.00	7.74	4.39
Parker	82	8	114	70	0.00	4.22	2.48
Payson	63	9	94	51	0.15	14.66	9.10
Phoenix	84	7	109	75	0.00	5.30	3.08
Prescott Airport	61	11	93	54	0.00	8.41	4.61
Safford Ag Center	73	8	106	59	0.10	4.40	2.59
Tucson	77	9	109	67	0.63	3.62	3.20
Willcox	69	7	98	58	1.00	4.86	3.31
Winslow	65	9	98	51	0.10	4.00	2.20
Yuma	82	6	110	72	0.00	2.80	1.07

1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

2/ Daily precipitation totals 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. instead of midnight to midnight. Periods of record used in computing "average to date" for precipitation and "departure" for average temperatures may be obtained from National Weather Service, Phoenix.

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